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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am sick and tired of monopolies like AT&T and Comcast that make it impossible to get affordable, competitive broadband internet access in so many communities across the country. I disagree with these companies' privacy and terms, yet I have few other choices. I am currently paying a higher price for lower speeds with a local DSL provider, which makes me as a independent consultant less competitive. I rely on broadband internet access to support myself.

Please maintain rules that allow small, regional ISPs to be competitive with these large, customer-hostile integrated media/broadband providers.

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